

# Search Warrant Leads to Discovery of Meth Lab – Milford

**Milford-** The Delaware State Police have arrested a Milford man after a methamphetamine lab was discovered during the execution of a search warrant.

The investigation began in May 2019, when the Troop 3, Criminal Investigative Unit (CIU) investigated three cases in which large amounts of copper wire were stripped and stolen from homes that were under construction. Between all three locations, it was estimated that the suspect stole approximately \$3,500.00 worth of copper wire and a trail camera. Through investigative measures, 46-year-old **Paul D. Reedy** was developed as a suspect.

On July 19, 2019, at approximately 9:00 a.m., members of the Troop 3, CIU executed a search warrant at Reedy's residence located in the 21000 block of Rodney Park Drive, Milford. Upon arrival, Reedy was taken into custody without incident and a methamphetamine lab was discovered.

The Delaware State Police Troop 4, Drug Unit and the Governor's Task Force (GTF) responded to the scene, along with the Little Creek Fire Department and the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) to assist with the investigation.

Approximately 0.06 grams of methamphetamine, the components used to manufacture methamphetamine, along with key ingredients in making the drug were safely collected and seized. Also recovered was a large amount of copper wire along with the stolen trail camera.

Reedy was transported back to Troop 4 where he was charged

with the following:

- Burglary 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree (3 counts)
- Theft (3 counts)
- Selling Stolen Property (3 counts)
- Unlawfully Operating a Clandestine Laboratory
- Possesses with Intent to Manufacture, Deliver a Controlled Substance
- Possession of a Controlled Substance
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Reedy was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court and committed to the Sussex Correctional Institution on \$31,000.00 secured bond.

McColley Road between Shockley Road and Cedar Branch Road was closed to traffic for approximately 4 hours while this incident was investigated and cleared.

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